
Fear Vanishes.

Last Friday morning the number of Communions at school was 1541. Yesterday it was 1272. The daily average for the month was 1288. For the semester it was 1261. There is just a bit of shortsightedness in the policy of those who pray hard during exams and lay off immediately afterwards. The grades aren't in yet; you might at least use the precaution of deferring your apostasy until the papers are marked. It would be nice to have your Guardian Angel whisper something into the professor's ear when you rate 68.

The Sorin chapel ran rather even the first four periods yesterday:

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| 5:30 - 7:00..... | 33 | 56 |
| 7:00 - 8:00..... | 81 | 66 |
| 8:00 - 9:00..... | 45 | 57 |
| 9:00 -10:00..... | 65 | 58 |
| 10:00 -11:00..... | 26 | 20 |
| 11:00 -12:00..... | 16 | 17 |

The total number of Communions for the first semester was 153, 843. We will pass 300,000 this year if the second semester is what it should be.

When Finders Ain't Keepers.

This is the story of the financial adventures of one student. It's the sort of a thing that makes one wonder whether honesty can be taught.

The other day this student lost his pocketbook. It contained \$63 in cash and some checks. Yesterday he got the checks back through the mail.

Last June a pocketbook of his, containing \$24 disappeared. During the noon hour the next day the pocketbook, empty, was thrown over the transom into his room.

During last summer he lost a wallet containing railroad documents and money. It was returned, undisturbed even to the last penny, by the dirtiest looking tramp the student had ever seen.

If a student took the \$63 the other day he should realize that it will never do him any good. The money belongs not to the student who lost it, but to the firm for which he collected it. He will have to make it good to the firm, and this will make it necessary for him to drop out of school this semester, as he is hard pressed financially. The fellow who got it will have to make restitution, either in this world or in the next, and since the amount taken is grave matter, it cannot be atoned in the next world in Purgatory. If he keeps it now in the hope of relieving a temporary financial need -- possibly to pay a school bill -- it will do him no good; it will bring nothing but bad luck. "Finders keepers" applies only when the owner cannot be found.

Candlemas Day.

The blessing of candles takes place tomorrow morning at 5:45 in the church; the Mass for the feast of the Purification will begin about half an hour later. You are invited to attend both the blessing and the Mass.

First Friday and Blessing of Throats.

As announced last Sunday, the blessing of throats for the campus students will take place after Benediction First Friday; off-campus, all morning in the Sorin chapel. PRAY for a special intention, please.